

Douglas S. Freeman High School Choral Boosters
Monthly Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2018
7:00 pm, DSF Chorus Room

Person Presiding:

Sara Martin, President

Persons in Attendance:

Kristen Batson, Choral Director
Sara Martin, President
Amy Boyle, Vice President
Coates Carter, Treasurer
Tricia Mottley, Secretary
Nancy Chambers, Flowers
Amy Blanchetti, Hospitality
Susan Press, Senior Boards
Cheryl Pacious

Actions of Meeting:

- **Choral Director Report:** Mrs. Batson reported that the chorus classes are going well and are preparing for the spring concert on May 23rd. The Disney workshop video will be shown at the spring concert. Due to copy right laws, the video cannot be taped or reproduced in any way. Auditions are currently being held for select chorus groups. Mrs. Batson is actively recruiting high school boys interested in chorus. She is hoping to add a chorus group that is a non-auditioned boy/girl group for 10th-12th graders. The freshman group has done well. She is also recruiting middle schoolers interested in chorus. Festival Choir will sing at baccalaureate on Wednesday, June 13 at Hope Church. Seniors in the choral program can sign up to perform at baccalaureate as well. Graduation is Thursday June 14th at 11:00. The choral groups participating will leave Freeman around 9:00 and the bus will return them to Freeman after graduation.
- **President Report:** Sara Martin reported that she is preparing for the transition for the new choral booster president.
- **Treasurer Report:** Coates Carter is preparing to transition the books for the new Treasurer once elected. Zenith Bank is merging with Union and new signature cards will be needed. Coates is preparing to close out the books for the 2017-18 school year. He is requesting for notice about any expenditures for the remainder of the year. The choral boosters is still in "applied" status with the SCC regarding 501c3 approval. We will owe \$800.00 for the IRS Letter of Determination, which will be carried over to next year's budget.
- **Committee Reports:**
 - **Fundraising:**
 - **50/50 Raffle:** A 50/50 raffle will be held at the spring concert.
 - **Amazon Smile, Kroger:** These fundraisers are on hold until the choral boosters is recognized as a 501c3 organization.
 - **Discount Cards:** The discount cards will be sold at the spring concert for \$3.00. There is only 3 months left on the cards before they expire. The cards raised over \$3,000.00. The discount cards production cost \$273.00. Additional possible location to sell remaining cards includes Krogers and Pleasant's Hardware.
 - **Flowers:** Nancy Chambers reported that she has been working with Paul Kristovakous at Vogue Flowers on Parham Road. White roses will be presented to the graduation seniors. The 19 senior girls will get a single white rose and the 3 senior boys will receive a single white rose boutonniere. The white roses came in a grower's pack of 25. Flower bouquets will be sold at the spring concert. Nancy has ordered 10 dozen carnations(5 grower's packs). Vogue donated 50 carnations(2 grower's packs). The choral boosters will

purchase the 25 roses and the other 3 grower's packs of carnations. The flowers cost \$63.00. The carnations will be wrapped as triples and some singles. Nancy will be putting together the flowers at her house on May 23rd at 11:00am. Choral booster members present at the meeting volunteered to help Nancy put together the flowers. Vogue Flowers will be acknowledged in the program and at the table where the flowers are being sold. Nancy will need a replacement for her as the flower committee head. Annette Doll was recognized for putting together the bows for the flower bouquets.

- **Program Ads:** Shout Outs for the program must be submitted by the 5/11 deadline. Shout Outs with text only are \$5.00 and Shout Outs with text and a photo are \$10.00.
- **Restaurant Nights:** Sara Martin reported that Ana Gagen will no longer be able to serve at Restaurant Night committee chair. She will be replaced by Betsy Reid. The restaurant night at Chipotle made a little over \$300.00. The restaurant night at Five Guys made around \$92.00, which Five Guys rounded up to \$100.00. The next restaurant night is Piz-za Express on either Tuesday May 22nd or Thursday May 24th. The current revenue for the previous restaurant night's is \$970.00.
- **Hospitality:** Amy Blanchetti reported that after the spring concert refreshments will include drinks, cake, and individual cupcakes for the seniors. Amy requested for a couple of volunteers to help cut and serve the cake and drinks. Other refreshments will be donated by parent volunteers.
- **Photography:** Sara Martin reported that Carolyn Moffat submitted a subset of pictures for the year book. Mrs. Batson also submitted pictures to the yearbook to include some candid photos from the Chorus Disney spring trip. Pictures will also be available for viewing on the choral booster website.
- **Programs:** Russ Martin will be putting the programs together. The deadline for program ads and shout outs is May 11th. The fall and spring program expenditures was \$700.00. The program ads revenue covers the program expenses.
- **Senior Boards:** Susan Press reported that her committee was meeting tomorrow afternoon to work on the senior boards for the spring concert.
- **Show Choir:** Show choir auditions are being held this week.
- **Social Media:** The choral booster website needs to be updated by Kristi Saunders.
- **Travel:** Sara Martin reported that Disney trip was a great success! The \$330.00 balance was paid by the DSF financial secretary. The choral boosters need to share some of the costs with the band boosters, because \$500.00 was paid to cover the DSF administrators that went on the trip. This allowed for a HCPS employee on each bus. 169 people went on the Disney trip. The meal vouchers given to the chaperones were greatly appreciated.
- **Vice President Report:** Amy Boyle presented the proposed officer slate for the 2018-19 school year: Vice President, Amy Boyle; Treasurer, Sharon Seward; Secretary, Tricia Mottley. The President position is currently vacant. A motion to approve the slated officers was made by Sara Martin and seconded by Susan Press. A voice vote was taken and the 9 choral booster members present voted "aye". The motion carried to approve the slated officers. The filled committee chairs for the 2018-19 school year are as follows: 50/50 Raffle, Kristi Saunders; Restaurant Nights, Betsy Reid; Senior Boards, Susan Press; Show Choir, Sara Martin; Social Media, Kristi Saunders.
- **Announcements:**
 - Spring Chorus Concert, Wednesday, May 23rd 7:00pm (call time for students, 5:45 pm)

Next Meeting: June 5, 7:00 pm, DSF Chorus Room (Final Meeting for the 2017-18 school year)